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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority
West Bengal
Minutes of SEIAA Meeting
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Subject: **7th meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)**
Venue:- **Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5th Floor, LB – Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700106**
From :- **10 July 2023**
To :- **10 July 2023**

CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed MIN_BIR_23 Sand Mine at over an area of 3.22 ha (7.95 Acres) on the Mayurakshi River at Mouza: Khorad, J.L. No.: 108, Plot No.:720/817, P.S. and Block: Saithia, District: Birbhum, West Bengal by **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/426734/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/370/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/426734/2023** dated **24 April 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental Clearance be granted for the proposed project during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023. Standard EC conditions for the sand mines should be referred to. Following additional conditions may be imposed:

- a) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report.
- b) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided.
- c) To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Birbhum

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for MIN_BIR_23 falling within the DSR potential code BH_MR2_MY_20 is accepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(2) Proposed WB_BIR_MAY_B_16 Sand Mine over an area of 4.96 ha (12.26 Acres) on the Mayurakshi River at Mouza: Nadighasbera, J.L. No.: 141, Plot No.: 1 P.S. and Block: Mohammad Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal by **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/422392/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/371/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/422392/2023** dated **24 April 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental Clearance be granted for the proposed project during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023. Standard EC conditions for the sand mines should be referred to. Following additional conditions may be imposed:

- a) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report.
- b) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided.
- c) To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Birbhum

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for WB_BIR_MAY_B_16 falling within the DSR potential code BH_MB_MY_10_11_12 is accepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(3) Proposed Kashipur Sand Mine (MIN_PUR_18) over an area of 3.20 ha (7.90 Acres) on the Dwarakeswar River at J. L. No. – 62 and 146, Plot No. 1151 and 1 and 721, Mouza – Mahuljoda and Kumardih, Village – Mahuljoda and Kumardih, Police Station – Kashipur, District – Purulia, West Bengal by **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/426965/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/373/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/426965/2023** dated **24 April 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental Clearance be granted for the proposed project during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023. Standard EC conditions for the sand mines should be referred to. Following additional conditions may be imposed:

- a) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report.
- b) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided.
- c) To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Purulia

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for MIN_PUR_18 falling within the DSR potential code PUR_KS_DW_11 is accepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(4) Proposed Kashipur Sand Mine (MIN_PUR_10) over an area of 3.48 ha (8.59 Acres) on the Dwarakeswar River at J. L. No. – 151 and 62, Plot No. 2445 and 408, Mouza – Bodma and Mahuljoda, Village – Bodma and Mahuljoda, Police Station – Kashipur, District – Purulia, West Bengal by **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/426964/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/372/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/426964/2023** dated **24 April**

2023 seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental Clearance be granted for the proposed project during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023. Standard EC conditions for the sand mines should be referred to. Following additional conditions may be imposed:

- a) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report.
- b) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided.
- c) To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Purulia

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for MIN_PUR_10 falling within the DSR potential code PUR_KS_DW_11 is accepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(5) Proposed Ratanpur Sand Mine (MIN_BIR_17) over an area of 4.99 ha (12.33 Acres) on the Ajay River at J. L. No. – 143, Plot No. 633(PL) and 699(P), Mouza – Ratanpur, Block - Khoyrasole, District – Birbhum, West Bengal by **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/426728/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/394/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/426728/2023** dated **29 April 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental Clearance be granted for the proposed project during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023. Standard EC conditions for the sand mines should be referred to. Following additional conditions may be imposed:

- a) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report.
 b) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided.
 c) To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Birbhum

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for MIN_BIR_17 falling within the DSR potential code BH_KR_AJ_16_17 is accepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(6) Proposed Residential project at Holding No.: 2, Old Jessore Road, Mouza- Doharia, JL No.: 45, Touzi No.: 146, RS Dag Nos. 1300, 1301 and 1302, RS Khatian Nos. 905, 197 and 116, LR Dag Nos.: 1300, 1301 and 1302, LR Khatian No.: 3347 - 3359, PS: Madhyagram (Barasat), Kolkata - 700132, Ward No.: 25 under Madhyagram Municipality, West Bengal by **M/s. Shitij Real Estates LLP.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/419459/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/271/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/419459/2023** dated **06 March 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **8(a) Building / Construction** projects under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance during its 1st meeting held on 31.05.2023.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. Shitij Real Estates LLP** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	North 24 Parganas

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and accepted the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved based on the Madhyamgram Municipal Corporation Building Permit No. COM-85/MM/2022-23 dated 20/02/2023.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(7) Proposed development of a Residential Complex at Premises No. -145, Jessore Road, Holding No. - 70, Cal Jessore Road, Kolkata- 700089, J.L. No. - 24, Mouza – Patipukur, L.R. Dag No. – 326, 327, 328, 329, 502, 503, 504, 505(P), 506, 520, 521, L.R. Khatian No. – 2102, P.S.- Lake Town, under South Dum Dum Municipality, Ward No. 30, Dist. – North 24 Parganas, West Bengal by **M/s. Purti NPR Developers LLP.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/430463/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/407/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/430463/2023** dated **24 May 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **8(a) Building / Construction** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC recommended that Environmental clearance may be granted to the project with the additional conditions during its 2nd meeting held on 07.06.2023.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. Purti NPR Developers LLP** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	North 24 Parganas

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that the PP should upload the following documents in the PARIVESH portal :

- a) **Right of Records (porcha) of the individual Dag Nos.**
- b) **Need-based activity for the local people as per Office Memorandum of MoEF & CC vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020.**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred for additional information.

CONCLUSION

Deferred (Additional Information).

(8) Proposed redevelopment of 180 Residential Quarters (96 no. existing & 84 no. proposed) by SAIL-ISP at Burnpur, Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal by **M/s. Indian Iron & Steel Company (IISCO)**.

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/240409/2021, File No. : EN/T-II-1/392/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/240409/2021** dated **26 April 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **8(a) Building and Construction projects** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC during its 2nd meeting held on 07.06.2023 observed that the project is an expansion / modification of the existing township. However, the project proponent appears to have submitted only the particulars of the project and not of the township as a whole. The SEAC noted that the proposal submitted by the PP does not attract the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 since the total built up area of the project is < 20,000 sqm. The SEAC decided that the PP should submit a fresh proposal considering the above project to be an expansion / modification of the entire township of IISCO, Burnpur Therefore, the present proposal has been forwarded to SEIAA for rejection.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. Indian Iron & Steel Company (IISCO)** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Paschim Bardhaman

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided to hear the PP.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The project proponent is required to appear for a hearing before the SEIAA, WB before a final decision on EC application is taken.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for further consideration.

(9) Proposed establishment of Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF) at Village - Kaluabari, P.O. - Debithakurbari, P.S. - Rajganj, Mouza - Chhatgujrimari, Pargana - Baikunthapur, Dist. - Jalpaiguri, West Bengal by **M/s. Unique Universal Bio Waste LLP**.

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/431778/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/086/2022, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/431778/2023** dated **08 June 2023** along with copies of EIA/EMP seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **7(da) Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facilities** under Category "**B1**" of EIA

Notification 2006.

The project proponent (PP) obtained Terms of Reference issued by SEIAA, WB vide File No. EN/T-II-1/086/2022 dated 23.12.2022 against proposal no. SIA/WB/INFRA2/407378/2022.

SEAC, during its 4th meeting held on 21.06.2023, recommended the proposed project for grant of Environmental Clearance with the following additional conditions:-

1. Clearance from Dept. of Health & Family Welfare, GoWB as applicable to be obtained.
2. Piezometer should be installed to continuously monitor the groundwater level. The lithological log of the piezometer should be submitted with compliance reports.
3. Water quality shall be monitored at all points of abstraction/ inlet and discharge.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. Unique Universal Bio Waste LLP** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Jalpaiguri

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that as per Order dated 30.06.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta in WPA No. 1374 of 2023, respondent authorities has been restrained from granting any permission of operation till 31st of August, 2023. Hence, the same is deferred till the expiry of the force of the order or any interim order prior to the same period.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The matter will be referred to the Senior Law Officer of Dept. of Environment for further expert advice.

Further, SEIAA decided to request a report from WBPCB including the gap analysis study as per CPCB guidelines for establishment of Common Biomedical Waste Treatment Facilities dated 21.12.2016, Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 and the MoEF&CC letters vide D.O. no. 20/4/2021-HSMD dated 14.10.2022 and 20/4/2021-HSMD dated 18.10.2022 (copies enclosed) in respect of the proposed project. WBPCB shall specifically mention, if EC can be issued for this project.

Also a consent letter from Dept. of Health & Family Welfare, GoWB for this particular project shall be obtained with a specific mention, if EC can be issued for this project.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for further consideration after receiving the inputs as stated above.

CONSIDERATION OF TOR PROPOSALS

(1) Proposed Residential Complex at Holding No. 50, J.L. No.: 47, Ward No.: 30, Barhans, Fartabad, P.S: Sonarpur, R. S. Dag No.: 1539, 1540, 1541, 1542, 1545, 1545/1914, 1546, 1547, 1548, 1549, 1550, 1551, 1552, 1552/1913, 1553, 1554, 1596/1911 , 1532, 1555, 1556, 1592, 1596, under R.S. Khatian No.: 1063, 1452, 1652, 1538, 1414, 1810, 508, 272, 531, 583, 1536, 265, 1803, 615, 556, 1206, 1418, Mouza- Barhans, Fartabad, Dist – South 24 Parganas, West Bengal by **M/s. City Star Ganguly Projects LLP** (VIOLATION CASE).

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/425509/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/405/2023, Type-ToR

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/425509/2023** dated **10 April 2023** seeking Terms of reference (TOR) under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned proposed project. The proposed project activity is listed at S. No. **8(a) Building / Construction** projects under Category **B2** of EIA Notification, 2006.

SEAC, during its 2nd meeting held on 07.06.2023, recommended Terms of Reference under violation category with additional conditions to be complied with during Environmental Clearance application.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. City Star Ganguly Projects LLP** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	South 24 Parganas

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/425509/2023**.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and accepted the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

SEIAA approved the proposal for ToR under violation category.

CONCLUSION

Approved ToR.

(2) Proposed expansion of Housing Complex at Mouza - Doulatpur, Block - Bishnupur 1, JL No 79, Diamond Harbour Road, Joka, Dist - South 24 Parganas, West Bengal by **M/s. DTC Projects Pvt. Ltd.** (VIOLATION CASE).

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/430314/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/401/2023, Type-ToR

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/430314/2023** dated **23**

May 2023 seeking Terms of reference (TOR) under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned proposed project. The proposed project activity is listed at S. No. **8(b) Townships/ Area Development Projects / Rehabilitation Centres** projects under Category **B1** of EIA Notification, 2006.

Earlier the PP had obtained EC issued by SEIAA, WB vide No. 3230/EN/T-II-1/019/2017 dated 27.09.2018 for total built up area 149115.89 sq.m.

SEAC, during its 2nd meeting held on 07.06.2023, recommended Terms of Reference under violation category with additional conditions to be complied with during Environmental Clearance application.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. DTC Projects Pvt. Ltd.** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	South 24 Parganas

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/430314/2023**.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and accepted the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

SEIAA approved the proposal for ToR under violation category.

CONCLUSION

Approved ToR.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Application received from the Superintending Engineer, State Highway Planning Circle with respect to CRZ Clearance for the proposed project titled "Bridge over River Muriganga to connect Kochuberia, Sagar Island with Kakdwip in South 24 Parganas district, West Bengal.

Based on the O.M. vide F No. IA3-12/1/2022-IA.III dated 26.04.2022, the PP applied to SEIAA for CRZ clearance for the project and SEIAA considered the proposal in its 3rd meeting held on 09.06.2023. SEIAA forwarded the application to SEAC for appraisal and recommendation. SEIAA in its meeting held on 09.06.2023 observed that since the PP has no provision for apply in PARIVESH portal to SEIAA for CRZ clearance at present, appraisal has to be done on the basis of their letter and hard copy submission.

SEAC discussed the matter in its meeting held on 21.06.2023. It was noted by the SEAC that a related NGT order (by Principal Bench, New Delhi) on Bridges (O.A. No. 137 of 2014 dated 12.02.2015), states that "construction of a 'bridge' or similar activity covering a build-up area >1,50,000 sqm. and / or covering an area of >50 ha. would be covered under Entry 8(b) of the Schedule to the Regulations of 2006" and directed project proponent to obtain Environmental Clearance for the project in question. The bridge on the river Muriganga is a project / activity with proposed built-up area <1,50,000 sqm. Therefore, the proposed project shall not fall under the schedule 8(b) of the EIA Notification, 2006 and its subsequent amendments.

SEAC recommended the proposed project for CRZ clearance to SEIAA with the following conditions in addition to the conditions recommended by WBSCZMA :-

- i. The project proponent should obtain EC from SEIAA, if the total built up area for the proposed project exceeds 1,50,000 sqm.**
- ii. No groundwater shall be extracted without permission from the competent authority.**
- iii. Pillar and Pile caps should not affect the flow water in the river during flood and normal conditions.**
- iv. No excavated material during the construction shall be dumped in water bodies or adjacent areas. The site shall be restored to its near original condition after completion of construction of bridge.**
- v. Temporary structures raised for construction activity on land, intertidal / tidal area shall be removed immediately after completion of construction activity.**
- vi. All possible safeguard to be taken to avoid any environmental impact during construction and operation of the project.**
- vii. Project proponent shall obtain all other necessary permission as applicable from the competent authorities.**
- viii. Special care needs to be taken to avoid any adverse impact on aquatic life.**
- ix. Emergency preparedness plan and disaster management plans should be specifically provided.**
- x. Plantation of mangroves, as much as possible, is suggested.**

2. Complaint received on 30.06.2023 from Mr. Ankur Sharma against flouting of environmental norms at “Rajwada Royal Garden” (located near Chintamani Kar Bird Sanctuary) at 153, School Road, Rajpur-Sonarpur Municipality, West Bengal – 700103.

In order to assess the veracity of the complaint, a field visit by WBPCB is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.

3. Complaint received on 03.07.2023 from Mr. Ankur Sharma against filling of water bodies and flouting of environmental norms at “Atri Surya Toron” at Holding No. 6002, Mouza – Jayenpur, P.S. – Sonarpur, Banhooghly – I Gram Panchayat, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal.

In order to assess the veracity of the complaint, a field visit by WBPCB is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.

4. Complaint received on 03.07.2023 from Mr. Ankur Sharma against filling of water body and flouting of environmental norms at “Spotlight Countryside” at Holding No. 841, Dwarir Road, P.S. – Sonarpur, Rajpur-Sonarpur Municipality, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal.

In order to assess the veracity of the complaint, a field visit by WBPCB is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.

5. Letter received from Joint Director / Scientist ‘D’, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) vide F. No. IA-J-11014/101/2022-IA-I(M) dated 04.07.2023 regarding complaint against Day care unit in Godrej Prakriti Residential Apartments at West Bengal.

The project proponent had obtained EC vide No. 1317/EN/T-II-1/026/2018 dated

07.10.2020 against proposal no. SIA/WB/NCP/30726/2018.

SEIAA has already caused an inspection on the basis of complaint received on 13.06.2022 and decided to forward the inspection report to MoEF&CC for information.

6. SEIAA decided to issue a letter to Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department, Panchayat and Rural Affairs Department with a request to provide the following, with reference to NOC / Guarantee letter being issued by the ULBs to SEIAA claiming proper solid waste management, handling and disposal scenario. The chart has to be filled in separately for each ULB and Panchayat :

Solid waste generation per day house to house collection per day	Solid waste collection from slums. Door to door community bins	Solid waste collection & segregation at source per day	Composition of solid waste category wise	Plant & machinery available for collection	Manpower / Agency involved	Plant & machinery available for waste processing with its location & capacity per day	Land available for such processing and extent of present workability (acres exhausted / still available) with expected life span further	Location of landfill site identified for the project with expected life span	Total budget for solid waste management at present and capacity	Remarks

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D.O. No. 20/4/2021-HSMD

Respected Sir,

Dated: 14th October, 2022

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) is administering the Bio-medical Waste Management (BMWM) Rules, 2016 for scientific disposal of BMW. Further, to assist stakeholders in the implementation of the BMWM Rules, 2016, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has also formulated various guidelines.

2. I would like to emphasize here that the purpose of these rules is to uniformly implement its provisions across the country with support of various stakeholders like the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, State Health Department, State Pollution Control Boards/ Pollution Control Committees (SPCBs/ PCCs), Occupiers (waste generators), Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility Operators (CBWTFs) etc. In this regard, it is noteworthy to mention here the important role played by various stakeholders and facilities during the COVID-19 pandemic period towards effective management of COVID-19 waste.

3. May I highlight here that the Ministry often comes across media reports, and receive representations from civil society/ stakeholder groups on non-compliance of BMWM Rules, 2016/ CPCB Guidelines. The major issues highlighted in such complaints are related to unscientific/ non-compliant functioning of Healthcare Facilities (HCFs)/ CBWTFs, lack of gap-analysis studies & monitoring by SPCBs/ PCCs, non-consideration of gap-analysis reports while grant of environmental clearances by SEIAA, illegal dumping of BMW by HCFs/ CBWTFs, earmarking of HCFs for BMW treatment to CBWTFs against distance criteria etc. It is to be noted that new facilities may be allowed on the basis of gap analysis by SPCBs wherever required.

4. In light of the above, I would request you to intervene in the matter and ensure that gap-analysis studies and BMWM Rules, 2016/ CPCB guideline provisions must become the one of the fundamental grounds of granting ECs to HCFs/ CBWTFs. Further, the SPCBs/ PCCs may be directed to ensure effective monitoring of CBWTFs and ensure that all CBWTFs within their jurisdiction come under the ambit of Online Continuous Emission Monitoring System and connect with CPCB server. In case of insufficient capacity, proper gap analysis be made and new facilities may be allowed. If required, the non-compliant entities can be penalized, and asked to deposit of requisite environmental compensation.

with regards,

Yours sincerely,

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D.O. No. 20/4/2021-HSMD

Dated: 18th October, 2022

Respected Sir,

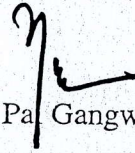
The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) is administering the Bio-medical Waste Management (BMWM) Rules, 2016 for scientific disposal of BMW. Further, to assist stakeholders in the implementation of the BMWM Rules, 2016, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has also formulated various guidelines. The purpose of these rules is to uniformly implement its provisions across the country with support of various stakeholders like the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, State Health Department, State Pollution Control Boards/ Pollution Control Committees (SPCBs/ PCCs), Occupiers (waste generators), Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility Operators (CBWTFs) etc.

2. May I highlight here that the Ministry often comes across media reports, and receive representations from civil society/ stakeholder groups on non-compliance of BMWM Rules, 2016/ CPCB Guidelines. The major issues highlighted in such complaints are related to unscientific/ non-compliant functioning of Healthcare Facilities (HCFs)/ CBWTFs, lack of gap-analysis studies & monitoring by SPCBs/ PCCs, non-consideration of gap-analysis reports while grant of environmental clearances by State Environment Impact Assessment Authorities (SEIAA), illegal dumping of BMW by HCFs/ CBWTFs, earmarking of HCFs for BMW treatment to CBWTFs against distance criteria etc.

3. In light of the above, I would request you to intervene in the matter and ensure that the grant of ECs by the SEIAA must be based on gap analysis studies undertaken by the concerned SPCBs/ PCCs duly highlighting the difference in the BMW generated vis-à-vis the treatment capacity available.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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